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The Secretary-General has received the following written statement which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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Children Rights

Jossour Forum of Moroccan's women welcomes the discussion concerning the current challenges that effect the situation of child right's all over the world and welcome that the Human Rights Council will consider the report of the High Commissioner on investment in the rights of the child, based on good practices and lessons learned. It also welcome the discussion proposed on the 28th General Assembly session concerning the promotion and protection of all human rights civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights including the right to development.

During this year countries have adopted in the United Nation a new sustainable development agenda and global agreement on climate change , the 17 goals of the agenda 2030 are an opportunity to bring the countries and citizens of the world together to embark on a new path to improve the lives of people everywhere.

Obtaining a quality education is the foundation to improving people's lives and sustainable development. Major progress has been made towards increasing access to education at all levels and increasing enrolment rates in schools particularly for women and girls. Basic literacy skills have improved tremendously, yet bolder efforts are needed to make even greater strides for achieving universal education goals. For example, the world has achieved equality in primary education between girls and boys, but few countries have achieved that target at all levels of education.

The last UN statistic announce that the Enrolment in primary education in developing countries has reached 91 % but 57 million children remain out of school, more than half of children that have not enrolled in school live in sub-Saharan Africa, an estimated 50 per cent of out-of-school children of primary school age live in conflict-affected areas, 103 million youth worldwide lack basic literacy skills, and more than 60 per cent of them are women.

Jossour Forum of Moroccan's women also shares the recommendation of many other's NGO and personalities around the world , on the need to adopt the agenda 2030 , where the Goal 4 focus on ensuring inclusive and quality education for all and promote lifelong learning.

As for the objective of Jossour Forum of Moroccan's women- a nongovernmental organization with consultative status at the United Nations Economic and Social Council- it commits to working on the child right's specially girls.

Jossour Forum of Moroccan's women taking into consideration the current socioeconomic and political context of women and children, take this opportunity to call upon all member states to:

Affirming that the child, for the full and harmonious development of his or her personality, should grow up in a family environment, having a good education,

Affirming that all human rights are universal, indivisible, interrelated, interdependent and mutually reinforcing, and must be treated in a fair and equal manner, recognizing the need to ensure the full and effective enjoyment for the child,

Recognizing that investing in children's quality education and health service is critical to achieving inclusive, equitable and sustainable human development for present and future generations, and delivers benefits to society and the economy at large,

Ensure the enjoyment by children of all their human rights, in accordance with the Convention on the Rights of the Child, without discrimination of any kind, and emphasizes in this regard the fundamental link between laws, policies and budgets and the responsibility to ensure that relevant national laws and policies are translated into the protection and realization of the rights of the child;

Requests to take all possible measures towards the promotion of good education, protection and realization of the rights of the child without discrimination of any kind, paying special attention to children in vulnerable situations and rural area;

Encourages to strengthen their commitment, cooperation and mutual assistance with the objective of implementing the Convention on the Rights of the Child and realizing fully the rights of the child, including through the sharing of good practices, research, policies, monitoring and capacity-building;

Encourages to give due consideration to children's rights in the discussions on the agenda 2030 and financing for development, and to ensure an open, transparent, participatory, inclusive and child-sensitive framework for that agenda;